# TWENTY-NINTH DAY.

(Friday, February 16, 1923.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Seagler.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Hughes. Abney. Amsler. Hull. Arnold. Irwin. Atkinson. Jennings. Johnson. Avis. Baker of Milam. Jones. Baker of Orange. Kemble. Barker. Lackey. Barrett. Laird. Bell. Lamb. Bird. Lane. Blount. LeMaster. Bonham. LeStourgeon. Loftin. Brady. Looney. Bryant. Burmeister. McBride. McFarlane. Carpenter of Dallas. McKean. Car penter McNatt. of Matagorda. Martin. Carson. Mathes. Carter of Coke. Maxwell. Chitwood. Melson. Coffee. Merriman. Collins. Merritt. Covey. Miller. Crawford. Moore. Morgan Culp. Davenport. of Liberty. Davis. Morgan DeBerry. of Robertson. Pate. Dielmann. Patman. Dinkle. Patterson. Dodd. Downs. Perdue. Driggers. Pinkston. Duffey. Pool. Pope. Dunlap. Potter. Dunn. Durham. Price. Edwards. Purl. Faubion. Quaid. Fields. Quinn. Finlay. Rice. Gipson. Robinson. Green. Rogers. Greer Rountree. Hardin of Erath. Rowland. Hardin Russell of Trinity. of Kaufman. Sackett. Henderson Sanford. of Marion. Satterwhite. Henderson Shearer. of McLennan. Shires.

Simpson.

Sparkman.

Hendricks.

Houston.

Howeth.

Stewart Thrasher. Yaughan. Wells. of Edwards. Stewart of Jasper. Stewart of Reeves. Wessels. Williamson. Storey. Wilmans. Stroder. Wilson. Sweet. Winfree. Teer. Thompson. Young.

#### Absent.

Fugler. Stevens. Turner. Smith.

Absent-Excused.

Baldwin. Lusk. Beasley. McDaniel. Bobbitt. . McDonald. Montgomery. Russell Cable. Carter of Hays. of Callahan. Cowen. Stell. Frnka. Stiernberg. Harrington. Strickland. Harris. Jacks. Wallace. Lewis. Westbrook.

A quorum was announced present. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. C. Mitchell, Chaplain.

### LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Russell of Callahan, for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Green.

Mr. McDonald, for today and tomor--row, on motion of Mr. Jones.

Mr. Frnka, for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Abney.

Mr. Jacks, for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Purl.

Mr. Bobbitt, for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Arnold.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important committee work:

Mr. Beasley, for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Dinkle.

Mr. Westbrook, for today and tomor-

row, on motion of Mr. Sweet.

Mr. Harrington, for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Bell.

Mr. Cowen, for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Arnold.

Mr. Montgomery, for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Baker of

Mr. Wallace, for today and tomorrow,

on motion of Mr. Henderson of Mc-Lennan.

Mr. Lewis, for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Jones.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of sickness:

Mr. Harris, for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Fields.

Mr. Carter of Hays for today, on motion of Mr. Melson.

## HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Potter:

H. B. No. 550, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide a complete educational system commonly known as the County Unit System, to be adopted by the respective counties of this State; providing for a special election to be called for the adoption of the system herein provided for; setting forth the general administration of the schools of such counties under a county board of education; providing for the election of such county board of education, defining their respective powers and duties and stating their qualifications, number to be elected, time and place of meetings of such board; providing for the holding of elections in counties adopting the provisions of this act, authorizing such county boards herein provided for to make a levy for school taxes in any rate not to exceed one (\$1) dollar valuation on the one hundred (\$100) dollars valuation of taxable property in the county as assessed for other county and State taxes; providing for a treasurer of the county funds, fixing his bond and prescribing his duties; providing for the appointment of a county superintendent of education, fixing his qualifications and duties; prescribing that a general system of classifying and grading all schools in such county shall be adopted; providing for the regulation of the schools as to sanitation and equipment; providing for the creation of districts for the enforcement of the State Compulsory School Attendance Law; providing for a system of reports to be required by the county board of education and the State superintendent, and declaring an emergency."

By Mr. Bonham:

H. B. No. 551, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 2, of Chapter 72, of the Local and Special Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Thirty-eighth Legislature at its Regular Session, said act being an act creating the Tynan Independent School District in Bee county, San Patricio and Live Oak counties, Texas; said act being amended by changing boundaries of said district set out in Section 2 thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on School Districts.

By Mr. Maxwell:

H. B. No. 552, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7373, Chapter 2, Title 126 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, of 1911, relating to occupation taxes, based on gross receipts; providing that the provisions of this act shall not in any manner impair or affect any right of the State to taxes, or for penalties heretofore had or claimed under the provisions of any law of this State, nor any right or proceeding had or instituted, or which may be instituted for the collection of such taxes or for penalties for failure to pay the same, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue

and Taxation.

By Mr. Bell:

H. B. No. 553, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 52 of Article 30, Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, changing the time of holding the terms of the district court of the Fifty-second Judicial District of Texas, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Carpenter of Dallas et al.:

H. B. No. 554, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 6272 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, and Section 3 thereof, defining indigency."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Robinson:

H. B. No. 555, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 6292, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, providing that the State Board of Pharmacy shall be entitled to charge and collect certain fees for the examination of applicants Referred to Committee on Education. for license as pharmacist and assistant pharmacist, by repealing that part of said article by the act of the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas, being Chapter 37 of said acts; providing a maximum fee of three (\$3) dollars for the renewal of the license of each and every pharmacist and a fee of one (\$1) dollar for each and every one who is not actively engaged as a pharmacist, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

# By Mr. Dunlap and Mr. Lewis:

H. B. No. 556, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 7, Chapter 104, General Laws, passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, creating and establishing four counties out of the territory embraced in the counties of Cameron, Hidalgo and Willacy, so as to provide for the collection of delinquent taxes in the new county as created and defined in the last paragraph of Section 1 of said chapter by the proper officers of said county, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Counties.

## By Mr. Jennings:

H. B. No. 557, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing and empowering the city of Perryton, in Ochiltree county, Texas, to close certain streets; to narrow and reduce in width certain other streets; to, by ordinance, make provision settlement and adjustment of property rights with owners of property adjacent to and affected by said changes; and validating all ordinances by said city heretofore passed in connection therewith."

Referred to Committee on Municipal and Private Corporations.

#### By Mr. Culp:

H. B. No. 558, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Acts of 1903, page 123, Acts of 1903, page 124, and Acts of 1915, page 137, and Sections 1, 3 and 4 of the Acts of the Thirty-seventh Legislature at its Regular Session, being Articles 784 and 788, Chapter 9, Title 12, Revised Criminal Statutes of Texas, relating to a State Embalming Board and the method of appointment, filling vacancies, prescribing the duties and powers of the board; providing for the examination and licensing of embalmers

embalming and undertaking without a license, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof or failure to pay said fees."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

## By Mr. Bonham:

H. B. No. 559, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Austwell Independent School District in Refugio county, Texas, including the present Common School District No. 9 of said county, providing a board of trustees therefor, vesting said independent school district and board of trustees with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred upon independent school districts incorporated under the general laws of Texas; providing that the board of trustees of the present Common School District No. 9 shall continue to act as such until their successors are elected as provided herein; providing for the assumption of any outstanding indebtedness created by the Common School District No. 9, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on School Districts.

## By Mr. Baldwin:

H. B. No. 560, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating Midway Independent School District in Lynn county, Texas, out of territory now comprising Common School District No. 9 of Lynn county as heretofore created by the county board of school trustees of. said county; defining boundary thereof; providing for a board of trustees, their election, terms of office, qualification, powers, duties and authority; authorizing the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect taxes for maintenance and building purposes, and to issue bonds; providing for an assessor and collector of taxes and a board of equalization; providing that said Midway Independent School District shall assume and discharge any and all indebtedness constituting valid and binding obliga-tions of said Common School District No. 9 of Lynn county; validating and continuing in force any and all taxes heretofore voted and now in force in such common school district; providing that title to any and all property of said common school district shall vest in the trustees of independent school district hereby created; providing for filling vaand undertakers, the fees thereof, making cancies on the board of trustees; pro-it unlawful to engage in the business of viding for a seal for said district; providing that the board of trustees shall, be governed by the general laws of Texas in all matters where this act is silent; repealing all laws in conflict herewith; providing that invalidation by the courts of any section or provision of this act shall not invalidate any remaining provision thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on School Districts.

By Mr. Baldwin:

H. B. No. 561, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating Joe Stokes Independent School District in Lynn county, Texas, out of territory now comprising Common School District No. 17 of Lynn county as heretofore created by the county board of school trustees of said county; defining boundary thereof; providing for a board of trustees, their election, terms of office, qualification, powers, duties and authority; authorizing the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect taxes for maintenance and building purposes and to issue bonds; providing for an assessor and collector of taxes and a board of equalization; providing that said Joe Stokes Independent School District shall assume and discharge any and all indebtedness constituting valid and binding obliga-tions of said Common School District No. 17 of Lynn county; validating and continuing in force any and all taxes heretofore voted and now in force in such common school district; providing that title to any and all property of said common school district shall vest in the trustees of independent school district hereby created; providing for filling vacancies on the board of trustees; providing for a seal for said district; providing that the board of trustees shall be governed by the general laws of Texas in all matters where this act is silent; repealing all laws in conflict herewith; providing that invalidation by the courts of any section or provision of this act shall not invalidate any remaining provision thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on School Dis-

By Mr. Young, Mr. Greer, Mr. Durham, Mr. Jacks and Mr. Dielmann:

H. B. No. 562, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2758, Chapter 12, Title 48, Revised Civil Statutes, 1911, as amended in Chapter 41 of the 'An Act amending Sections 6 and 6a of

General Laws of Texas, Fourth Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and in Chapter 57, Acts of the Thirtysixth Legislature, Third Called Session, relating to the compensation and traveling and office expenses of county superintendents of public instruction; providing for the county board of trustees to fix the compensation within the minimum and maximum limits provided herein; providing for office and traveling expenses of the county superintendent of public instruction as determined by the county board of trustees, based upon the sworn itemized monthly statements of the said county superintendent, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Thrasher:

H. B. No. 563, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1 of an act entitled 'An Act creating the Pfluger-ville Independent School District in Travis and Williamson counties, Texas; consolidating into said independent school district the territory included in the present Pflugerville Independent School District, Common School District No. 56, Common School District No. 12, Williamson and Travis County Line School District No. 14, and Common School District No. 15; defining its boundaries; vesting it with the rights, powers, duties and privileges of districts incorporated for school purposes only under the general law; providing for a board of trustees therefor; making provision for taxation for school purposes in said district, and declaring an emergency,' being House bill No. 606, passed by the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, and amended by House bill No. 51, passed by the Second Called Session of the Thirtysixth Legislature, changing and correcting the boundary lines of school district and validating and confirming the election of school trustees for said district, and declaring an emergency, providing for the election of trustees in said school district and validating and confirming the election of school trustees for said school district."

Referred to Committee on School Districts.

By Mr. Pool, Mr. Dunlap and Mr. Lewis:

H. B. No. 564, A bill to be entitled

Chapter 8, being House bill No. 45, passed at the First Called Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature of the State of Texas, and entitled 'An Act to amend Chapter 46 of the General Laws of the State of Texas passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, being an act to reorganize the Twenty-eighth Judicial District of the State of Texas, etc., and providing for the changing and fixing the time of holding the courts in the Twenty-eighth Judicial District of Texas, and validating and continuing all processes and writs, bonds, recognizances and jurors heretofore selected etc., returnable to the terms of court as they now exist, and continuing in session any court in said district now in session until adjourned by the judge thereof, and declaring an emergency.'

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Loftin:

H. B. No. 565, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the Thirtieth and Sixteenth Judicial Districts and to create the Ninety-second Judicial District of the State of Texas, and for the appointment of the district judge for said Ninety-second Judicial District; providing for holding the district courts and terms in said Thirtieth, Sixteenth and Ninety-second Judicial Districts, respectively; providing that all process and writs heretofore issued, and that all recognizances and bonds heretofore made and executed and returnable to existing terms of district courts in the counties composing said districts, to-gether with jurors heretofore selected, are valid and returnable to the first term of such court after this act takes effect; providing that the county attorneys of the respective counties within said Ninety-second Judicial District shall perform the duties of district attorneys in their counties as well as the duties now performed by them, and providing fees of office for such county attorneys; providing for the transfer of cases from the Thirtieth Judicial District to the Ninety-second Judicial District, and from the Sixteenth Judicial District to the Ninety-second Judicial District: providing for the jurisdiction of said district courts, and providing for the continuation of the existing district courts in said counties in session when this act takes effect to the end of their terms; repealing all conflicting laws, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

By Mr. Gipson and Mr. Avis:

H. B. No. 566, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 87 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature and amendments thereof, by adding thereto a new section to be known as Section 138, and providing that the board of directors of a water improvement district may exclude from same without requiring an application therefor, lands which cannot be irrigated by gravity flow from the canal system as planned and constructed, and if the owner of such lands shall thereafter and within one year elect to place said lands or part thereof in cultivation by use of water from said irrigation system by means other than provided at the time said lands were excluded, same may be again included in said district upon the application of the owner thereof made as provided by law; providing the manner. of excluding and again including such lands in a district; also amending said act by amending Section 8 of Chapter 13 of the Acts of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, Regular Session, which act amended said Chapter 87, Acts of Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, providing for the organization and operation of water improvement districts. This act amends Section 122 of said Chapter 87, Acts, Regular Session Thirty-fifth Legislature as amended by Section 8, Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, and provided the manner and mode of levying and assessing taxes by such districts which may adopt the assessment of benefit plan of taxation, and that such districts may by election adopt a uniform basis of benefits apply to all lands irrigated by gravity flow from the canal system, and for a different basis of assessment on uniform basis on all lands classed as non-irrigable by gravity flow, and providing that if lands so classed as non-irrigable are thereafter irrigated the method of determining the amount of payments to be made thereon. The manner of adopting such assessments by election, declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Conservation and Reclamation.

By Mr. McFarlane, Mr. Potter, Mr. Hardin, Mr. Greer and Mr. Price:

H. B. No. 567, A bill to be entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 38, of the may have heretofore formed part; defin-General Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Thirty-sixth Legislature, at its Regular Session."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Dodd:

H. B. No. 568, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide that the State Bureau of Vital Statistics shall keep a record of all marriages and divorces in this State; providing that county clerks shall keep a record of all mar-riage licenses issued by them on blanks furnished by the State Board of Health, fixing a fee for the same and providing that he shall report monthly to the State Board of Health; providing that the district clerk shall keep a record of all divorces and report same on blanks furnished by the State Board of Health, and fixing a fee for same; and prescribing a penalty therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Irwin:

H. B. No. 569, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 544, of the Revised Civil Statutes so as to provide that corporations otherwise duly authorized, which are organized under the laws of any other State, or of the United States, upon compliance with the laws of this State relating to insurance other than life, may enjoy the privileges and do the business authorized and conferred by Article 540, of the Revised Civil Statutes in like manner with other persons or concerns now so authorized in said Article 544."

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Hardin of Kaufman:

H. B. No. 570, A bill to be entitled "An Act changing and enlarging the boundaries of the Elmo Independent School District in Kaufman county, and providing for an election to adjust the territory thus added, to taxes which may be now levied upon the property of said Elmo Independent School District and for an assumption by said Elmo Independent School District of the pro rata of taxes to which the territory thus added to said Elmo Independent School District by this act may be subject by reason of any outstanding bond issue or bond issues previously voted by any school district or school districts of which such added territory

ing the powers of said Elmo Independent School District, and declaring an emergency.'

Referred to Committee on School

Districts.

By Mr. Carpenter of Dallas and Mr. Irwin:

H. B. No. 571, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the incorporation of real estate boards for the purpose of acquiring, preserving and disseminating valuable business information with reference to the purchase, sale, handling, improvement and development of real property, subdivisions and additions. with power to hold exhibitions in the development and improvement of real property and in the construction and building of homes, and declaring an emergency therefor."

Referred to Committee on State

Affairs.

By Mr. Laird:

H. B. No. 572, A bill to be entitled "An Act to give consent of the State of Texas to the acquisition by the United States Government of land in the State for national forests and parks; retaining to the State concurrent civil and criminal jurisdiction, and authorizing Congress to enact all such legislation as deemed necessary to protect and administer such national forests and parks."

Referred to Committee on Federal

Relations.

By Mr. Fields:

H. B. No. 573, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require all persons, firms, corporations or receivers operating interurban or street railways in this State to equip and maintain on all cars operated by them cowcatchers of the drop pilot type, having vertical play, and normally held at proper distance above the rails, but provided with a simple and efficient means of lowering the same in emergency to move on the rails so as to remove from in front of said cars all objects or persons thereon and provided with an interdependent means of operation so that the lowering of said drop pilot or cowcatcher will automatically blow the whistle, set the brakes, sand the rails and disconnect the electric current, providing a penalty, and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Common

Carriers.

By Mr. Chitwood:

H. B. No. 574, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating an educational survey commission to make a thorough survey of the public educational system of the State; providing for its selection by a survey committee, designated in this act; designating the number of members of said educational survey commission; providing for its organization and prescribing the qualifications of a majority of the members thereof; providing for a complete report of the findings and recommendations of the educational survey commission to be made to the Governor and Legislature by December 1, 1924; providing for the employment by the educational survey commission of a survey director and staff of assistants to make a survey of the school system of the State; providing that the educational survey commission and its employes shall have access to all public records, and providing a penalty for the violation of this provision of this act; appropriating the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the proposed educational survey and prescribing the manner of its disbursement, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

# By Mr. Satterwhite:

H. B. No. 575, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 6901d of Chapter 1, Title 119, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, of 1911, as enacted by Chapter 29 of the General Laws of the Fourth Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and as amended by Chapter 98 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature and amending Article 6901d of said chapter and title of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1911, as enacted by Chapter 29 of the General Laws of the Fourth Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, which article of the statutes relates to the compensation of county commissioners, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Counties.

# By Mr. Melson:

H. B. No. 576, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 52 of the Special and Local Laws passed by the

and refunding by the Cooper Independent School District of all or any part of the indebtedness, bonded or otherwise, of the city of Cooper, Texas, created for school purposes, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on School Districts.

## By Mr. McNatt and Mr. Potter:

H. B. No. 577, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2862 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1911, so as to permit independent school districts to have their taxes assessed and collected by the county assessor and the county collector without being required to have such assessments made at the same valuations that are used for State and county taxation, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on School Districts.

## By Mr. Sackett:

H. B. No. 578, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend an act passed by the Regular Session of the Thirtieth Legislature, known as House bill No. 470, and approved April 4, 1907, entitled 'An Act creating an independent school district to be known as the Coleman Independent School District, including within its limits the municipal corporation of the town of Coleman, and to provide for the creation of a board of trustees thereof, and authorizing the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect special taxes, and conferring upon the board of trustees plenary powers and authority to issue bonds for the purpose of purchasing school sites, and erecting, furnishing and equipping school buildings within the same, and to pay current expenses in the maintenance and support of said schools, and further prescribing the duties and authorities of said board,' so as to hereafter read as follows, and extending and defining its boundaries and including within its limits the municipal corporation of the city of Coleman, and to provide for the creating of a board of trustees thereof and authorize the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect special taxes and provide authority to issue bonds for the purpose of purchasing school sites and erecting, fur-Special and Local Laws passed by the Thirty-seventh Legislature at its First Called Session by adding thereto Section 2. tion 3a, providing for the assumption penses for the maintenance and support

of said school, declaring valid all issues of bonds heretofore made, declaring valid maintenance tax heretofore voted and repealing all laws in conflict herewith in so far as they conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on School Dis-

tricts.

# SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bills were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

Senate bill No. 135, to the Committee

on Appropriations.

Senate bill No. 107, to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

# BILL ORDERED PRINTED.

Mr. Patterson moved that Senate bill No. 72, reported adversely, with a minority favorable report, be printed.

Mr. Burmeister raised a point of order on the motion to print, on the ground that there was no minority favorable report filed in the proper time.

The Speaker overruled the point of

order.

Mr. Burmeister appealed from the ruling of the Chair and the appeal was not seconded.

Mr. Burmeister moved as a substitute to recommit the bill to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Bell moved to table the motion to recommit.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

# Yeas-69.

of Matagorda. Carson. Coffee. Covey. Crawford. Davenport. Davis. Dielmann. Dinkle. Dodd. Cigreen. Green. Greer. Hardin of Erat. Hendricks. Howeth. Jennings. Laird. Lamb. Lamb. Lane.
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LeMaster. Potter. LeStourgeon. Rice. McBride. Rogers. McFarlane. Rountree. McNatt. Sanford. Martin. Satterwhite. Maxwell. Shearer. Melson. Shires. Merritt. Stewart of Jasper. Moore. Stewart of Reeves. Morgan Stroder. Sweet. Thompson. of Robertson. Pate. Patman. Wells. Patterson. Winfree. Young. Perdue. Pinkston.

#### Nays-41.

Abney. Houston. Amsler. Hughes. Atkinson. Hull. Barker. Irwin. Barrett. Jones. Bird. Loftin. Blount. McKean. Bonham. Merriman. Brady. Morgan Burmeister. of Liberty. Purl. Carpenter of Dallas. Robinson. Carter of Coke. Russell of Trinity. Chitwood. Sackett. Collins. Simpson. Culp. Sparkman. DeBerry. Stewart Durham. of Edwards. Storey. Hardin of Kaufman. Vaughan. Henderson Wessels. of Marion. Williamson. Henderson Wilson. of McLennan.

## Present-Not Voting.

# Wilmans.

#### Absent.

Pope. Fugler. Johnson. Price. Quinn. Kemble. Lackey. Smith. Stevens. Looney. Teer. Mathes. Thrasher. Miller. Pool. Turner.

# $\mathbf{Absent-Excused.}$

Beasley.
Bobbitt.
Carter of Hays.
Cowen.
Frnka.
Harrington.
Harris.

Jacks.
Lewis.
Lusk.
McDaniel.
McDonald.
Montgomery.
Quaid.

Rowland. Stiernberg.
Russell Strickland.
of Callahan. Wallace.
Stell. Westbrook.

Mr. Hardin of Kaufman moved to table the motion to print the bill on the minority report.

Yeas and nays were demanded and the motion to table was lost by the following vote:

#### Yeas-37.

Abney. Hull. Amsler. Irwin. Arnold. Jennings. Atkinson. Jones. Barrett. Lane. Blount. Loftin. Brady. Looney. Burmeister. Merriman. Carpenter Morgan of Dallas. of Liberty. Carter of Coke. Morgan Collins. of Robertson. Rice. Crawford. Culp. Robinson. Durham. Sackett. Hardin Simpson. of Kauiman. Stewart Henderson of Edwards. of Marion. Storey. Henderson Vaughan. of McLennan. Wessels. Houston. Wilson.

### Nays--74.

Avis. Fields. Baker of Milam. Finlay. Baker of Orange. Gipson. Baldwin. Green. Barker. Greer. Bell. Hardin of Erath. Bird. Hendricks. Bonham. Howeth. Bryant. Hughes. Cable. Kemble. Covey. Laird. Carpenter Lamb. Le Master. of Matagorda. Carson. LeStourgeon. McBride. Chitwood. Coffee. McDaniel Davenport. McDonald. Davis. McFarlane. DeBerry. McKean. Dielmann. McNatt. Dinkle. Martin. Dodd. Mathes. Downs. Maxwell. Driggers. Melson. Duffey. Merritt. Dunlap. Moore. Dunn. Pate. Edwards. Patman. Faubion. Patterson.

Perdue. Sparkman. Stewart of Jasper. Pinkston. Potter. Stewart of Reeves. Purl. Stroder. Rogers. Sweet. Thompson. Rountree. Russell of Trinity. Wells. Wilmans. Sanford. Satterwhite. Winfree. Shearer. Young.

Present-Not Voting.

#### Williamson.

#### Absent.

Fugler. Quinn.
Johnson. Shires.
Lackey. Smith.
Miller. Stevens.
Pool. Teer.
Pope. Thrasher.
Price. Turner.

#### Absent-Excused.

Beasley. McDonald. Bobbitt. Montgomery. Carter of Hays. Quaid. Rowland. Cowen. Frnka. Russell of Callahan. Harrington. Harris. Stell. Jacks. Stiernberg. Lewis. Strickland. Lusk. Wallace. McDaniel. Westbrook.

Question then recurring on the motion to print, it prevailed.

## BILL ORDERED PRINTED.

Mr. Rountree moved that House bill No. 440, reported adversely, with a minority favorable report, be printed.

Mr. Moore moved to table the motion to print, and the motion to table was lost.

Question recurring on the motion by Mr. Rountree to print on the minority report, it prevailed.

# BILLS ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Barrett, House bills Nos. 449, 546, 549 and Senate bill No. 298 were ordered not printed.

# RELATING TO CREATING COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS.

On motion of Mr. Looney, by unanimous consent, the following petition was ordered printed in the Journal:

Cameron, Texas, January 27, 1923.

We, the undersigned attorneys of

Milam county, Texas, do herey subscribe ourselves as opposed to the proposed legislation now pending creating the Tenth Court of Civil Appeals, to sit at Waco, Texas, with Milam county included in the said proposed new district.

We prefer that our county shall remain in the Third District as now existing, with court sitting at Austin, it being our judgment that the best interests of Milam county will thereby be subserved.

(Signed) A. J. Lewis, W. W. Chambers, W. A. Morrison, W. T. Hefley, W. G. Gillis, Tom S. Henderson, Jr., S. M. Burns, Geo. T. Moore, Ed F. English, Roy Baskin, O. L. Kidd, J. K. Freeman, E. A. Wallace, John Watson, J. M. Ralston, M. G. Cox, U. S. Hearrell, R. Lyles.

# INVITING DR. F. EMORY LYON TO ADDRESS THE HOUSE.

Mr. Irwin offered the following resolution:  $\cdot$ 

Whereas, Dr. Emory F. Lyon, one of the great platform lecturers of America, and president of the Howard Missions of the United States, will be in the City of Dallas on Monday, February 19, for the purpose of filling a regular lecture engagement at the Baptist Church on the subject of great human interests; now, therefore, be it

human interests; now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the House of Representatives extend an invitation to Dr. Lyon to address it at 2 o'clock, February 20, 1923.

Signed—Irwin, Carpenter of Dallas.
The resolution was read second time.
Mr. Patman offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend the resolution by striking out "2 o'clock p. m.," and insert in lieu thereof "7:30 o'clock p. m."

The amendment was adopted.

Question recurring on the resolution, it was adopted.

# EXPRESSING SYMPATHY FOR ILL-NESS OF HON. WILLIAM LUSK.

Mr. Sparkman offered the following resolution:

Whereas, We, the members of the House of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, have just learned that one of our members, Hon. William Lusk of Brenham, is confined to his bed with typhoid fever and is dangerously ill; and

Whereas, Our said brother member is a useful and influential member of the House; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we express our sym- | Signed pathy for his illness; that we extend terwhite.

to him and the members of his family our hopes that he may have a speedy recovery and be able to return to his place in this House from which he is missed so much.

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted.

# RELATING TO INVITATION TO DR. J. FRANK NORRIS.

Mr. Hendricks moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution, extending the courtesies of the Hall to Dr. J. Frank Norris, was adopted.

Dr. J. Frank Norris, was adopted.
On motion of Mr. Sweet, the motion to reconsider was tabled.

# RELATING TO CALLING OF CON-STITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

The Speaker laid before the House, as unfinished business, for consideration at this time,

H. C. R. No. 18, Relating to calling of a constitutional convention.

The resolution having been read second time on yesterday.

Mr. Satterwhite moved that further consideration of the resolution be post-poned until 10:30 o'clock a. m. tomorrow and the motion was lost.

Mr. Hendricks offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House concurrent resolution No. 18, Section 7, by striking out all of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Section 7. In event a majority of the people vote for the calling and holding of a constitutional convention, an election shall be held on the second Saturday in March, 1925, for the election of delegates to said convention. Such election shall be governed and controlled by the laws now in force in regard to general elections and the vote of each senatorial district for the delegates shall be certified to the Secretary of State by the county judge in each senatorial district, as provided in Article 25, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, as amended by Chapter 60, General Laws, First Called Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, same being the new senatorial act, but if it be found that a majority of the voters at said election held at the next general election have voted against a convention, the election for delegates shall not be had and the said convention shall not be convened.

Signed—Hendricks, Rountree and Satterwhite. The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Lackey offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House concurrent resolution No. 18 by adding Section 13 to read as follows:

Sec. 13. Provided that no office holder in the State of Texas shall be eligible for election as a delegate to said convention.

Signed-Lackey, Greer, Thrasher, Mc-Farlane.

Mr. Greer moved the previous question on the amendment, and the main question was ordered.

Question recurring on the amendment, yeas and nays were demanded and the vote of the House was recorded on the amendment as follows: Yeas, 59; nays, 59

The Speaker announced that the vote stood: Yeas, 59; nays, 59.

Mr. Greer called for a verification of the vote. The roll of the yeas and nays was called and the verified vote stood as follows:

#### Yeas--59.

Abney. Jones. Amsler. Lackey. Atkinson. Lane. LeMaster. Barker. LeStourgeon. Bonham. Brady. Loftin. Bryant. Looney. McBride. Cable. Carpenter McFarlane. of Dallas. McKean. Chitwood. Maxwell. Collins. Merritt. Crawford. Moore. Pate. Culp. Perdue. Davenport. Pool. Davis. Russell of Trinity. DeBerry. Dinkle. Sackett. Satterwhite. Dodd. Driggers. Sparkman. Storey. Duffey. Stroder. Dunn. Fields. Teer. Thompson. Finlay. Thrasher. Fugler. Vaughan. Gipson. Wells. Greer. Wessels. Hull. Hardin Wilson. of Kaufman. Young. Henderson

# Nays-60.

Mr. Speaker.
Arnold.
Avis.

Baker of Milam.
Baker of Orange.
Baldwin.

of McLennan.

Barrett. Mathes. Bird. Melson. Miller. Blount. Burmeister. Morgan of Liberty. Carpenter Morgan of Matagorda. Carson. of Robertson. Patman. Carter of Coke. Patterson. Coffee. Covey. Pinkston. Dielmann. Pope. Potter. Downs. Dunlap. Price. Purl. Durham. Edwards. Rice. Green. Robinson. Hardin of Erath. Rogers. Henderson Rountree. of Marion. Sanford. Hendricks. Shearer. Houston. Shires. Howeth. Simpson. Irwin. Stewart of Edwards. Jennings. Stewart of Jasper. Johnson. Kemble. Stewart of Reeves. Turner. Laird. Lamb. Williamson. Winfree. McNatt.

Present-Not Voting.

#### Wilmans.

Martin.

#### Absent.

Bell. Rowland. Faubion. Russell Frnka. of Callahan. Hughes. Smith. Merriman. Quinn. Stevens. Sweet.

## Absent-Excused.

McDaniel. Beasley. Bobbitt. McDonald. Carter of Hays. Montgomery. Cowen. Quaid. Stell. Harrington. Harris. Stiernberg. Jacks. Strickland. Lewis. Wallace. Lusk. Westbrook.

The Speaker announced that the amendment was lost.

# MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, February 16, 1923.

Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the
House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has

S. B. No. 267, A bill to be entitled

"An Act authorizing counties to issue bonds under Section 52 of Article 3 of the Constitution for irrigation purposes; empowering such counties to construct, purchase and acquire reservoirs, dams, levees, wells, canals, laterals, ditches, pumping plants and other improvements required for the proper and efficient irrigation of the land in such counties; to hold elections upon the question of issuing bonds and the levy of taxes for their payment; providing for the levy and collection of such taxes; providing for the control, management and operation of the irrigation system of such counties; providing for the issuance of notes by such counties for certain irrigation purposes, and declaring an emer-

And refused to concur in the House amendment to Senate bill No. 110, and request a conference committee on said bill. The following have been appointed on behalf of the Senate: Holbrook, Witt,

Rogers, Bowers and Wirtz. Respectfully,

RICHARD BLALOCK, Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

### RECESS.

Mr. Davenport moved that the House recess to 2 o'clock p. m. today.

Mr. Purl moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m. next Monday.

The motion of Mr. Davenport prevailed and the House, accordingly, at 12:15 o'clock p. m., took recess to 2 o'clock p. m. today.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met at 2 o'clock p. m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

# RELATING TO CALLING A CONSTI-TUTIONAL CONVENTION.

The House resumed consideration of pending business, same being House concurrent resolution No. 18, relating to calling a constitutional convention, on its passage to engrossment.

Mr. Dodd offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House concurrent resolution No. 18 by striking out Sections 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, and inserting the following: "The constitutional convention shall be composed of one hundred and fifty delegates, elected, one from each representative district, by a direct vote of the people."

Signed—Dodd, Sweet, Carter of Coke, Purl, Greer, Young, McFarlane.

Mr. Baker of Milam moved a call of the House for the purpose of maintaining a quorum pending consideration of House concurrent resolution No. 18, and the call was duly seconded.

The Speaker then directed the Door-keeper to close the main entrance to the Hall and instructed the Sergeant-at-Arms to lock all other exits leading from the Hall, and stated that no member would be permitted to leave the Hall without written permission from the Speaker.

The roll was called and a quorum was announced present.

Mr. Bonham offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend the amendment by striking out the words "one hundred and fifty" and insert in lieu thereof "ninety-three," three elected from each senatorial district.

Mr. Bryant moved that further consideration of the resolution be postponed indefinitely.

Mr. Price offered the following substitute for the pending amendments:

Amend H. C. R. No. 18 by striking out all of Sections 3, 4, 5 and 6, and by adding to Section 2, after the word "composed" the following, "of ninety-three delegates." Provided, that three delegates with State senatorial qualifications shall be elected from each senatorial district as formed by the 1924 law by direct vote of the qualified electors of such district; and the election of such delegates shall be governed by the general election laws of this State."

Signed—Price, Green, Henderson of Marion.

Mr. Satterwhite raised a point of order on consideration of the substitute, on the ground that the substitute is not germane to the purpose of the amendments.

The Speaker overruled the point of order.

Mr. Davenport moved to refer the resolution to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Mr. Carpenter of Dallas moved the previous question on the motion to refer the resolution to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, and the main question was ordered.

Question recurring on the motion to refer, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion to refer was lost by the following vote:

# Yeas-30.

Abney. Lackey. LeStourgeon. Amsler. Loftin. Atkinson. Barker. Looney. Bird. McBride. Cable. Rogers. Carpenter Simpson. of Dallas. Stewart Collins. of Edwards. Storey. Culp. Davenport. Thompson. Davis. Thrasher. Finlay. Vaughan. Henderson Wells. Wilson. of McLennan. Howeth. Young. Kemble.

## Nays—80.

Arnold. Lane. Baker of Milam. LeMaster. Baker of Orange. McFarlane. Baldwin. McKean. McNatt. Barrett. Blount. Martin. Bonham. Mathes. Bryant. Maxwell. Burmeister. Melson. Merritt. Carpenter of Matagorda. Miller. Carson. Moore. Carter of Coke. Morgan Chitwood. of Liberty. Coffee. Morgan Covey. of Robertson. Pate. Crawford. DeBerry. Patman. Dielmann. Patterson. Perdue. Dinkle. Dodd. Pinkston. Potter. Downs. Driggers. Price. Purl. Duffey. Rice. Dunlap. Dunn. Robinson. Durham. Rountree. Russell of Trinity. Edwards. Gipson. Sackett. Green. Sanford. Greer. Satterwhite. Hardin of Erath. Shearer. Hardin Shires. of Kaufman. Stewart of Jasper. Stewart of Reeves. Henderson of Marion. Stroder. Hendricks. Teer. Houston. Turner. Irwin. Wessels. Jennings. Williamson. Wilmans. Johnson. Laird. Winfree. Lamb.

## Absent.

Jones. Avis. Bell. Merriman. Brady. Pool. Faubion. Pope. Fields. Smith. Fugler. Sparkman. Stevens. Hughes. Hull. Sweet.

### Absent-Excused.

Beasley. Montgomery. Bobbitt. Quaid. Carter of Hays. Quinn. Cowen. Rowland. Frnka. Russell Harrington. of Callahan. Harris. Stell. Stiernberg. Jacks. Lewis. Strickland. Lusk. Wallace. McDaniel. Westbrook. McDonald.

Mr. Price moved the previous question on the pending motions and the resolution, and the motion was not seconded.

Mr. Carter of Coke moved the previous question on the substitute, and the main question was ordered.

Question recurring on the substitute, yeas and nays were demanded.

The substitute was adopted by the following vote:

## Yeas-63.

Henderson Abnev. Arnold. of Marion. Atkinson. Hendricks. Baker of Milam. Houston. Baker of Orange. Irwin. Baldwin. Jennings. Barker. Johnson. Barrett. Lamb. Blount. Lane. Bonham. LeMaster. Brady. McKean. Burmeister. McNatt. Carpenter Mart<u>i</u>n. of Matagorda. Melson. Chitwood. Merritt. Coffee. Miller. Dielmann. Moore. Dinkle. Morgan Downs. of Liberty. Morgan of Robertson. Driggers. Duffey. Pinkston. Durham. Edwards. Pope. Faubion. Potter. Fields. Price. Robinson. Fugler. Green. Rogers. Hardin of Erath. Rountree.

Sackett.
Satterwhite.
Shearer.
Shires.
Simpson.

Smith.

Sparkman.
Stewart of Reeves.
Thrasher.
Turner.
Wells.
Winfree.

# Nays-49.

Loftin. Amsler. Looney. Avis. Bird. McBride. McFarlane. Bryant. Cable. Mathes. Maxwell. Carson. Carter of Coke. Pate. Patman. Collins. Patterson. Covey. Perdue. Culp. Davenport. Pool. Purl. Davis. DeBerry. Rice. Russell of Trinity. Dodd. Dunlap. Stewart of Edwards. Dunn. Stewart of Jasper. Finlay. Storey. Greer. Hardin Stroder. Sweet. of Kaufman. Henderson Thompson. of McLennan. Vaughan. Howeth. Wessels. Wilmans. Kemble. Wilson. Lackey. Young. Laird.

Present-Not Voting.

#### Jones.

LeStourgeon.

## Absent.

Montgomery. Bell. Crawford. Quinn. Rowland. Carpenter of Dallas. Russell of Callahan. Frnka. Sanford. Gipson. Stevens. Hughes. Hull. Teer. Williamson. Merriman.

# Absent—Excused.

Beasley. McDaniel. ·Bobbitt. McDonald. Carter of Hays. Quaid. Cowan. Stell. Harrington. Stiernberg. Harris. Strickland. Wallace. Jacks. Lewis. Westbrook. Lusk.

Mr Bonham offered the following amendment to the amendment as substituted:

Amend the amendment as substituted

by adding thereto the following: "Provided that in senatorial districts composed of three or more counties not more than two delegates shall be elected from any one county."

Mr. Durham offered the following substitute for the amendment by Mr. Bon-

Amendment to substitute amendment: "Provided that no two of these delegates shall be elected from the same representative district."

Mr. Davenport moved that further consideration of the resolution be post-poned until 3 o'clock p. m. next Monday.

poned until 3 o'clock p. m. next Monday.
On motion of Mr. Moore the motion

to postpone was tabled.

Mr. Davenport moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m. next Monday, and the motion was lost.

Question recurring on the substitute

by Mr. Durham, it was lost.

Mr. Jones moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Yeas and nays were demanded and the motion was lost by the following vote:

#### Yeas-29.

Arnold. LeMaster. Bird. Loftin. Bryant. McBride. McNatt. Carson. Carter of Coke. Mathes. Collins. Pinkston. Pool. Davenport. Durham. Stewart of Edwards. Hardin of Kaufman. Storey. Henderson Stroder. of McLennan. Sweet. Howeth. Thompson. Jennings. Vaughan. Wells. Jones. Wilson. Kemble.

# Nays-89.

Chitwood. Abney. Coffee. Amsler. Atkinson. Covey. Crawford. Avis. Baker of Milam. Culp. Baker of Orange. Davis. Baldwin. DeBerry. Dielmann. Barker. Dinkle. Barrett. Dodd. Blount. Downs. Bonham. Driggers. Brady. Burmeister. Duffey. Dunlap. Cable. Carpenter Dunn. Edwards. of Dallas. Carpenter Fields. Finlay. of Matagorda.

Fugler. Gipson. . Green. Greer. Hardin of Erath. Henderson of Marion. Hendricks. Houston. Hull. Irwin. Johnson. Lackey. Laird. Lamb. Lane. LeStourgeon. Looney. McFarlane. McKean. Martin. Maxwell. Melson. Merritt. Miller. Moore. Morgan of Liberty. Morgan of Robertson.

Pate. Patman. Patterson. Perdue. Pope. Potter. Price. Purl. Rice. Robinson. Rogers. Rountree. Russell of Trinity. Sackett. Satterwhite. Shearer. Shires. Simpson. Smith. Sparkman. Stewart of Jasper. Stewart of Reeves. Thrasher. Turner. Williamson. Wilmans. Winfree. Young.

Absent.

Bell. Faubion. Hughes. Merriman. Quinn. Sanford. Stevens. Teer. Wessels.

#### Absent-Excused.

Beasley. McDonald. Bobbitt. Montgomery. Carter of Hays. Quaid. Cowen. Rowland. Frnka. Russell Harrington. of Callahan. Harris. Stell. Stiernberg. Jacks. Lewis. Strickland. Lusk. Wallace. McDaniel. Westbrook.

Mr. Patman moved the previous question on the pending motion and the resolution, and the main question was ordered.

Question then recurring on the amendment by Mr. Bonham to the amendment, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

## Yeas-64.

Abney.
Amsler.
Atkinson.

Avis. Baker of Milam. Baker of Orange.

Barker. Barrett. Bonham. Bryant. Cable. Carpenter of Matagorda. Carson. Carter of Coke. Crawford. Davenport. Davis. Dodd. Duffey. Dunlap. Dunn. Edwards. Finlay. Greer. Henderson of Marion. Henderson of McLennan. Hendricks. Jennings. Lackey. Laird. Lamb. Lane. LeStourgeon. Loftin. McBride. McFarlane.

McKean. Mathes. Maxwell. Melson. Merritt. Miller. Moore. Morgan of Robertson. Pate. Perdue. Rice. Robinson. Russell of Trinity. Sackett. Shires. Simpson. Sparkman. Stewart of Edwards. Stewart of Jasper. Stewart of Reeves. Storey. Stroder. Sweet. Thompson. Thrasher. Vaughan. Wells. Williamson. Wilmans. Wilson.

# Nays-48.

Baldwin. Hull. Bird. Irwin. Blount. Johnson. Brady. Jones. Burmeister. Kemble. Carpenter LeMaster. of Dallas. Looney. Chitwood. McNatt. Martin. Coffee. Collins. Morgan Culp. of Liberty. DeBerry. Patman. Dielmann. Patterson. Pinkston. Dinkle. Downs. Pool. Driggers. Pope. Durham. Potter. Price. Fields. Fugler. Purl. Gipson. Rogers. Rountree. Green. Hardin of Erath. Shearer. Hardin Turner. of Kaufman. Winfree. Houston. Young.

#### Absent.

Arnold. Bell. Covey.

Howeth.

Faubion. Hughes. Merriman.

Quinn. Sanford. Satterwhite. Stevens. Teer. Wessels.

Smith.

Absent-Excused.

Beasley. Bobbitt. Carter of Hays. Cowen. Frnka. Harrington. Harris. Jacks. Lewis. Lusk.

McDaniel.

McDonald. Montgomery. Quaid. Rowland. Russell

of Callahan. Stell. Stiernberg. Strickland.

Wallace. Westbrook.

Question then recurring on the pending amendment as substituted, it was adopted.

## Reason for Vote.

The reason I vote "No" on this is that it renders the functioning impracticable.

Question then recurring on the motion to postpone indefinitely, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion to postpone indefinitely was lost by the following vote:

#### Yeas-37.

Abney. Jones. Amsler. Kemble. Lackey. Atkinson. Avis. Le Master. Barker. Loftin. Looney. Bird. Brady. McBride. McFarlane. Bryant. Cable. Melson. Merritt. Collins. Pool. Culp. Davenport. Simpson. Davis. Sparkman. Stewart Dielmann. Fields. of Edwards. Finlay. Storey. Thompson. Greer. Hardin Wells. of Kaufman. Wessels. Howeth. Wilson.

# Nays-79.

Mr. Speaker. Arnold. Carpenter of Matagorda. Baker of Milam. Carter of Coke. Baker of Orange. Chitwood. Baldwin. Coffee. Barrett. Covey. Blount. Crawford. Bonham. DeBerry. Burmeister. Dinkle.

Dodd. Morgan of Robertson. Downs. Driggers. Duffey. Pate. Patman. Dunlap. Patterson. Perdue. Dunn. Durham. Pinkston. Edwards. Pope. Faubion. Potter. Fugler. Price. Gipson. Purl. Green. Rice. Hardin of Erath. Robinson. Henderson Rogers. of Marion. Rountree. Henderson Russell of Trinity. of McLennan. Sackett. Hendricks. Satterwhite. Hull. Shearer. Irwin. Shires. Jennings. Smith. Johnson. Stewart of Jasper. Laird. Stewart of Reeves. Stroder. Lamb. Lane. Sweet. LeStourgeon. McKean. McNatt. Martin. Mathes. Maxwell. Miller. Moore.

Thrasher. Turner. Vaughan. Williamson. Wilmans. Winfree. Young. Morgan

# Absent.

Bell. Merriman. Carpenter of Dallas. Quinn. Sanford. Carson. Stevens. Houston. Teer. Hughes.

of Liberty.

# Absent—Excused.

Beasley. McDonald. Bobbitt. Montgomery. Carter of Hays. Quaid. Cowen. Rowland. Frnka. Russell of Callahan. Harrington. Stell. Harris. Stiernberg. Jacks. Strickland. Lewis. Wallace. Lusk. McDaniel. Westbrook.

Question then recurring on the resolution as amended, yeas and nays were demanded.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas-77.

Amsler. Arnold.

Baker of Milam. Baldwin.

Lane. Barrett. LeStourgeon. Blount. McNatt. Bonham. Martin. Bryant. Mathes. Burmeister. Melson. Carpenter Miller. of Dallas. Moore. Carpenter Morgan of Matagorda. of Liberty. Carson. Carter of Coke. Morgan of Robertson. Chitwood. Pate. Coffee. Patterson. Covey. Perdue. Crawford. Pinkston. Dinkle. Pope. Dodd. Potter. Downs. Price. Driggers. Duffey. Rice. Robinson. Dunlap. Rogers. Dunn. Rountree. Durham. Russell of Trinity. Edwards. Faubion. Sackett. Satterwhite. Fugler. Shearer. Gipson. Shires. Green. Smith. Hardin of Erath. Stewart of Jasper. Henderson Stewart of Reeves. of Marion. Stroder. Henderson of McLennan. Sweet. Thrasher. Hendricks. Turner. Irwin. Williamson. Jennings. Wilmans. Johnson. Winfree. Laird. Young.

Navs-43.

Le Master. Abnev. Loftin. Atkinson. Looney. Avis. McBride. Baker of Orange. McFarlane. Barker. McKean. Bird. Brady. Maxwell. Merritt. Cable. Collins. Patman. Culp. Pool. Davenport. Purl. Davis. Simpson. DeBerry. Sparkman. Dielmann. Stewart of Edwards. Fields. Finlay. Storey. Thompson. Greer. Howeth. Vaughan. Wells. Hull. Wessels. Jones. Wilson. Kemble. Lackey.

Absent.

Bell. Houston.

Lamb.

Hughes. Merriman. Quinn. Sanford. Stevens. Teer.

Absent—Excused.

Montgomery. Beasley. Bobbitt. Quaid. Carter of Hays. Rowland. Cowen. Russell of Callahan. Frnka. Stell. Harrington. Stiernberg. Harris. Strickland. Jacks. Wallace. Lewis.  $\mathbf{Westbrook}$ . Lusk. McDaniel.

Paired.

Mr. Hardin of Kaufman (present), who would vote "nay," with Mr. Mc-Donald (absent), who would vote "yea."

Mr. Burmeister moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was adopted and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas, February 16, 1923.

Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed

S. B. No. 335, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating additional and adequate courts for Dallas county; defining their jurisdiction; adjusting the business of the existing district courts to the business thereof; prescribing the duties of the district clerk with respect thereto; repealing all laws in conflict therewith, and creating an emergency."

Respectfully, RICHARD BLALOCK, Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

# RESOLUTION SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof and it caption had been read, the following enrolled resolution:

S. C. R. No. 15, Requesting return of bill from Governor.

HOUSE BILL NO. 51 ON THIRD READING.

On motion of Mrs. Wilmans, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 51, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Dallas County District Court of Domestic Relations, and restricting the jurisdiction in part and providing for the transfer of cases between the Fourteenth District Court, the Forty-fourth District Court and the Sixty-eighth District Court; and providing that the Dallas County District Court of Domestic Relations shall have jurisdiction of criminal prosecutions under the Wife and Child Desertion Act; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read third time, and was passed by the following vote:

### Yeas-76.

Lane. Amsler. LeMaster. Arnold. Atkinson. LeStourgeon. Baker of Milam. McBride. Baker of Orange. McFarlane. Barker. McNatt. Barrett. Maxwell. Bird. Melson. Blount. Moore. Bonham. Morgan of Liberty. Brady. Bryant. Morgan Burmeister. of Robertson. Carpenter Pate. Patman. of Dallas. Carpenter Perdue. of Matagorda. Pinkston. Carson. Pope. Carter of Coke. Carter of Hays. Potter. Rice. Chitwood. Robinson. Covey. Rogers. Russell of Trinity. Davenport. Dinkle. Sackett. Dodd. Satterwhite. Downs. Shearer. Driggers. Shires. Duffey. Simpson. Dunlap. Smith. Dunn. Sparkman. Durham. Stewart of Jasper. Storey. Faubion. Fugler. Stroder. Gipson. Sweet. Thrasher. Green. Greer. Wells. Hardin of Erath. Williamson. Hull. Wilmans. Irwin. Winfree. Young. Johnson. Lamb.

# Nays-16.

Baldwin. Looney. Cable. Mathes. Collins. Merritt. Davis. Patterson. Edwards. Purl. Finlay. Thompson. Hardin Wessels. of Kaufman. Wilson. Jennings.

# Present-Not Voting.

Abney. Henderson of McLennan. Avis. Crawford. Jones. Culp. Kemble. DeBerry. Lackey. Dielmann. Loftin. Fields. Stewart of Edwards. Hendersón of Marion. Stewart of Reeves. Vaughan.

#### Absent.

Miller. Bell. Pool. Coffee. Hendricks. Price. Houston. Quinn. Rountree. Howeth. Hughes. Sanford. Stevens. Laird. Teer. McKean. Martin. Turner. Merriman.

## Absent—Excused.

Montgomery. Beasley. Bobbitt. Quaid. Rowland. Cowen. Frnka. Russell of Callahan. Harrington. Stell. Harris. Stiernberg. Jacks. Strickland. Lewis. Wallace. Lusk. McDaniel. Westbrook. McDonald.

Mrs. Wilmans moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

## HOUSE BILL NO. 111 ON ENGROSS-MENT.

The Speaker laid before the House, as unfinished business, on its passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 111, A bill to be entitled "An Act to preserve, propagate, distribute and protect the wild game animals, wild game birds and fowls, and wild birds of this State; defining offenses and prescribing penalties for the violations thereof; providing for the issuance of hunting licenses; the appointment of deputy game, fish and oyster commissioners, prescribing their duties and compensations; making provisions for the creation of a special game fund and appropriating the same for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act; repealing certain laws and all laws, general and special, in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The bill having heretofore been read second time, with amendment by Mr. Lackey, and amendment by Mr. Pope to the amendment pending.

Question recurring on the pending amendment to the amendment, it was adopted.

Mr. DeBerry offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend substitute amendment, House bill No. 111, Section 50, by adding the following: "provided that nothing in this section shall apply to minors."

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Pope offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend amendment to House bill No. 111 by striking out all of line 6, beginning with the word "shall," Section 42, page 683, Journal, and by striking out all of lines 7 to 26, both inclusive, and the words "the game laws," in line 27, said Section 42, page 683, Journal, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "shall belong to the general revenue of the State and shall be paid into the State Treasury by the Game, Fish and Oyster Commissioner during the first week of each month."

(Mr. Satterwhite in the chair.)
Mr. Lackey moved to table the amendment by Mr. Pope.

Yeas and nays were demanded and the motion was lost by the following vote:

## Yeas-46.

Baker of Milam. Durham. Baker of Orange. Faubion. Brady. Fields. Bryant. Finlay. Gipson. Carpenter Hardin of Erath. of Dallas. Carpenter Hardin of Matagorda. of Kaufman. Carter of Coke. Hull. Coffee. Jones. Collins. Kemble. Covey. Lackey. Davis. Lamb. Dielmann. LeStourgeon.

Looney. Shearer. McFarlane. Smith. McKean. Stewart Merritt. of Edwards. Moore. Stewart of Reeves. Patterson. Storey. Pool. Stroder. Robinson. Thrasher. Russell of Trinity. Turner. Sackett. Wells. Satterwhite. Williamson.

#### Nays-57

Abney. Loftin. Amsler. McBride. Arnold. McNatt. Atkinson. Martin. Baldwin. Maxwell. Barker. Melson. Barrett. Miller. Morgan of Liberty. Bird. Bonham. Morgan Burmeister. Cable. of Robertson. Crawford. Pate. Culp. Patman. DeBerry. Perdue. Dinkle. Pinkston. Dodd. Pope. Driggers. Potter. Duffey. Price. Purl. Dunlap. Dunn. Rice. Green. Rogers. Henderson Shires. of Marion. Simpson. Henderson Sparkman. of McLennan. Stewart of Jasper. Hendricks. Sweet. Howeth. Vaughan. Jennings. Wessels. Wilson. Laird. Winfree. Lane. Le Master.

Present-Not Voting.

Young.

#### Absent.

Avis. Irwin. Bell. Johnson. Blount. Mathes. Carson. Merriman. Chitwood. Quinn. Rountree. Davenport. Downs. Sanford. Edwards. Stevens. Teer. Fugler. Greer. Thompson. Wilmans. Houston. Hughes.

## Absent-Excused.

Beasley. Cowen.
Bobbitt. Frnka.
Carter of Hays. Harrington.

Harris.
Jacks.
Lewis.
Lusk.
McDaniel.
McDonald.
Montgomery.
Quaid.

Rowland.
Russell
of Callahan.
Stell.
Stiernberg.
Strickland.
Wallace.
Westbrook.

(Speaker in the chair.)

Question then recurring on the amendment by Mr. Pope to the amendment, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

#### Yeas-61.

McBride. Abney. Amsler. McNatt. Martin. Arnold. Maxwell. Atkinson. Melson. Baldwin. Barker. Merritt. Miller. Barrett. Bird. Morgan Bonham. of Liberty. Morgan Burmeister. of Robertson. Cable. Pate. Crawford. Culp. Patman. Perdue. DeBerry. Pinkston. Dinkle. Pope. Dodd. Downs. Potter. Driggers. Price. Duffey. Purl. Rice. Dunn. Durham. Rogers. Satterwhite. Green. Hardin of Erath. Shires. Henderson Simpson. of Marion. Sparkman. Henderson Stewart of Jasper. of McLennan. Sweet. Thompson. Howeth. Laird. Vaughan. Lane. Wessels. Le Master. Wilson. Loftin. Winfree. Looney.

# Nays-43.

Baker of Milam. Davis. Dielmann. Baker of Orange. Dunlap. Brady. Bryant. Faubion. Fields. Carpenter of Dallas. Finlay. Carpenter Gipson. of Matagorda. Hardin of Kaufman. Carson. Carter of Coke. Hull. Coffee. Jones. Collins. Kemble. Covey. Lackey.

Lamb. Smith. LeStourgeon. Stewart McFarlane. of Edwards. McKean. Stewart of Reeves. Moore. Storey. Patterson. Stroder. Thrasher. Pool. Robinson. Turner. Russell of Trinity. Wells. Sackett. Williamson. Shearer. Young.

#### Absent.

Avis. Irwin. Bell. Jennings. Blount. Johnson. Chitwood. Mathes. Davenport. Merriman. Edwards. Quinn. Rountree. Fugler. Greer. Sanford. Hendricks. Stevens. Teer. Houston. Wilmans. Hughes.

#### Absent--Excused.

Beasley. McDonald. Bobbitt. Montgomery. Carter of Hays. Quaid. Rowland. Cowen. Frnka. Russell of Callahan. Harrington. Harris. Stell. Stiernberg. Jacks. Lewis. Strickland. Lusk. Wallace. McDaniel. Westbrook.

Mr. Pope offered the following amendments to the amendment:

Amend amendment to House bill No. 111 by striking out the words "to be paid" at the end of line 11, page 684, Section 42, Journal, and by striking out the words "out of the special game fund" in line 12, page 684, Section 42, Journal.

Amend amendment to House bill No. 111 by striking out the words "into the said fund," in line 16, page 684, Section 42, Journal.

Amend amendment to House bill No. 111 by striking out all of line 17 after the word "act" and by striking out all of lines 18 to 34, page 684, Section 42, Journal, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "shall be placed in the general revenue fund of the State in the State Treasury."

Amend amendment to House bill No. 111 by striking out the words "on and" at the end of line 8 and by striking out all of lines 9 and 10, Section 43, page 684, Journal, and insert in lieu thereof

the following: "and by virtue of specific appropriation of the Legislature."

Amend amendment to House bill No. 111 by adding after the word "commissioners" in line 3, Section 46, page 684, Journal, the following words: "in such number as the Legislature in general appropriation bill may provide pay for."

Amend amendment to House bill No. 111 by striking out the words "the special game fund in," in lines 21 and 22, Section 46, page 684, Journal.

The amendments were severally adopted.

Mr. Faubion offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend amendment to House bill No. 111, page 686 of the Journal, by striking out Section 57 and renumbering the remaining sections.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. DeBerry offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend substitute amendment, House bill No. 111. Section 50, by adding the following: "Provided that nothing in this section shall apply to any person under fifteen years of age."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Wessels offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend substitute (committee) House bill No. 111, "exempt Fayette county." The amendment was adopted

Mr. Cable offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend by exempting Montague and Cooke counties.

On motion of Mr. Lackey the amendment was tabled.

Mr. Wells offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend House bill No. 111, page 792 of Journal, strike out "counties of Jackson and Wharton" from Quinn amendment to Section 36.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Burmeister offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend House bill No. 111 by adding a new section after Section 35a to be known as Section 35b, to read as follows:

"Section 35b. It shall hereafter be unlawful for any person to hunt, trap or ensnare or kill any wild deer, buck, doe or fawn within the limits of Live Oak, McMullen, Bexar, Atascosa, Frio, La Salle, Milam, Burleson and Lee counties, State of Texas, for a period of five years from and after the passage of this act." journ until 10 Mr. Moore moday.

Question first of Mr. Moore, manded. The following vote:

Mr. LeStourgeon offered the following substitute for the amendment to the amendment:

Amend House bill No. 111 by adding a new section after Section 35a to be known as Section 35b, to read as follows: "It shall hereafter be unlawful for any person to hunt, trap, or ensnare, or kill any wild deer, buck, doe, or fawn within the limits of Live Oak, McMullen, Atascosa, Frio, LaSalle, Milam, Burleson and Lee counties, State of Texas, for a period of five years from and after the passage of this act."

Mr. Cable offered the following amend-

ment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 111 by striking out the enacting clause.

Question—Shall the amendment be adopted?

On motion of Mr. Lackey further consideration of the bill was postponed until 2 o'clock p. m. next Wednesday.

# COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE TEXAS EMPLOYERS' INSUR-ANCE ASSOCIATION.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee to investigate the affairs of the Texas Employers' Insurance Association:

Messrs. Rogers, chairman; Quaid,

Gipson.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas, February 16, 1923.

Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has requested the House to return House bill No. 255 to the Senate for further consideration.

Respectfully, RICHARD BLALOCK, Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. Laird moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Mr. Moore moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m. next Monday.

Question first recurring on the motion of Mr. Moore, yeas and nays were demanded. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

#### Yeas--56.

LeStourgeon. Abney. Arnold. Loftin. McKean. Baldwin. McNatt. Barrett. Mathes. Blount. Merritt. Burmeister. Carson. Miller. Carter of Coke. Moore. Chitwood. Morgan of Liberty. Coffee. Morgan Collins. Davenport. of Robertson. Patterson. Dielmann. Pinkston. Duffey. Pool. Dunlap. Potter. Dunn. Price. Durham. Purl. Edwards. Robinson. Faubion. Rountree. Henderson Russell of Trinity. of Marion. Henderson Satterwhite. of McLennan. Shires. Irwin. Teer. Thompson. Jennings. Jones. Vaughan. Wessels. Kemble.

## Nays—48.

Lamb.

Lane.

LeMaster.

Williamson.

Wilson. Winfree.

Amsler. Lackey. Atkinson. Laird. Looney. Avis. Baker of Milam. McBride. Martin. Barker. Maxwell. Bird. Pate. Bonham. Patman. Brady. Bryant. Perdue. Cable. Rice. Culp. Rogers. Sackett. Carpenter of Matagorda. Shearer. Simpson. Davis. DeBerry. Sparkman. Dinkle. Stewart of Edwards. Dodd. Stewart of Jasper. Stewart of Reeves. Downs. Driggers. Fields. Storey. Finlay. Sweet. Hardin of Erath. Thrasher. Hardin Turner. of Kaufman. Wells. Howeth. Young. Hull.

#### Absent.

Baker of Orange. Covey.
Bell. Crawford.
Carpenter Fugler.
of Dallas. Gipson.

Green. Merriman.
Greer. Pope.
Hendricks. Sanford.
Houston. Smith.
Hughes. Stevens.
Johnson. Stroder.
McFarlane. Wilmans.
Melson.

#### Absent—Excused.

Beasley. Montgomery. Bobbitt. Quaid. Quinn. Carter of Hays. Cowen. Rowland. Frnka. Russell Harrington. of Callahan. Harris. Stell. Stiernberg. Jacks. Lewis. Strickland. Lusk. Wallace. McDaniel. Westbrook. McDonald.

The House, \_accordingly, at 5:40 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. next Monday.

#### APPENDIX.

## STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The following standing committees filed favorable reports today on bills as follows:

Roads, Bridges and Ferries—House bills Nos. 335, 501.

Insurance—House bill No. 489.

Education—House bills Nos. 536, 510. School Districts—House bills Nos. 549, 546; Senate bills Nos. 298, 449. Judicial Districts—Senate bill No.

Criminal Jurisprudence—House bill No. 431.

The following standing committees filed unfavorable reports today on bills as follows:

Revenue and Taxation—House bill No. 545.

Criminal Jurisprudence—House bill No. 485.

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED BILLS.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, February 15, 1923.

Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 432, A bill to be entitled

"An Act creating the Green Lake Common School District No. 8 in Roberts county, Texas; defining its boundaries; investing said district with rights, privileges and duties of a common school district under the general laws, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed. DINKLE, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 15, 1923.

Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and com-

H. B. No. 319, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Chapter 45 of the Local and Special Laws of the Twentyseventh Legislature, same being an act to provide a more efficient public road system for Montgomery county, Texas, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed. DINKLE, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 15, 1923.

Hon, R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 445, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 16 of the General Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Thirty-fourth Legislature, at its First Called Session, changing the time of holding courts in the Thirtythird Judicial District of Texas by providing that said court shall hold three terms of two weeks each in Gillespie county, and by providing that the two terms of said court to be held in Burnet county may continue in session for three weeks each, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declating an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed. DINKLE, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 15, 1923. Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and com-

"An Act creating the 'Dallas County District Court of Domestic Relations' and restricting the jurisdiction in part and providing for the transfer of cases between the Fourteenth District Court, the Forty-fourth District Court and the Sixty-eighth District Court; and providing that the Dallas County District Court of Domestic Relations shall have jurisdiction of criminal prosecutions under the Wife and Child Desertion Act; repealing all laws and part of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed. DINKLE, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 15, 1923.

Hon, R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 476, A bill to be entitled "An Act repealing Chapter 30 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, which chapter relates to the jurisdiction of the county court of Edwards county, and which vested in the county court of said county civil and criminal jurisdiction as provided by general law for county courts; and reviving any and all laws which stand repealed by reason of said Chapter 30, General Laws, Regular Session Thirty-seventh Legislature, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed. DINKLE, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 15, 1923.

Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 499, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prescribe a closed season on quails and doves in Grayson and Collin counties; providing penalties for violation of same; providing that road runners of chapperals may be killed at any time, and providing that if any section or part of section of this act be declared unconstitutional, the remainder of such act shall remain in full force and effect adequate fees for the secur-H. B. No. 51, A bill to be entitled ing of convictions; repealing all laws

in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed. DINKLE, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 15, 1923.

Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 519, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating Consolidated Common School District No. 1 of Castro county, Texas, and validating an issue of bonds heretofore voted by said district, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed. DINKLE, Chairman.

# THIRTIETH DAY.

(Monday, February 19, 1923.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Seagler.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Abney. Dodd. Downs. Amsler. Arnold. Driggers. Atkinson. Duffey. Avis. Dunlap. Baker of Milam. Dunn. Baker of Orange. Durham. Baldwin. Edwards. Barker. Fields. Barrett. Finlay. Bell. Frnka. Bird. Fugler. Bonham. Gipson. Brady. Greer. Hardin of Erath. Bryant. Burmeister. Hardin of Kaufman. Cable. Carpenter Harrington. of Dallask Harris. Carpenter Henderson of Matagorda. of Marion. Carson. Henderson Carter of Coke. of McLennan. Chitwood. Hendricks. Coffee. Houston. Collins. Howeth. Hull. Covey Crawford. Irwin. Culp. Jacks. Davenport. Jennings. Davis. Jones. DeBerry. Kemble. Dinkle.

Laird.

Lamb. Rice. Lane. Robinson. LeMaster. Rogers. LeStourgeon. Russell of Trinity. Loftin. Sackett. McBride. Sanford. McDaniel. Shearer. McDonald. Shires. McFarlane. McKean. Simpson. Smith. McNatt. Sparkman. Martin. Stell. Mathes. Stewart Maxwell. of Edwards. Merritt. Stewart of Jasper. Montgomery. Stewart of Reeves. Morgan of Liberty. Storey. Stroder. Morgan Sweet. of Robertson. Thompson. Patman. Thrasher. Perdue. Vaughan. Pinkston. Wells. Pool.  $\mathbf{W}$ essels. Williamson. Pope. Potter. Wilmans. Price. Wilson. Purl. Winfree. Quaid. Young.

#### Absent.

Faubion. Rowland. Russell Green. Hughes. of Callahan. Johnson. Stevens. Looney.

#### Absent—Excused.

Moore. Beasley. Blount. Pate. Bobbitt. Patterson. Carter of Hays. Quinn. Rountree. Cowen. Dielmann. Satterwhite. Lackey. Stiernberg. Lewis. Strickland. Lusk. Teer. Turner. Melson. Merriman. Wallace.  ${f Westbrook.}$ Miller.

A quorum was announced present. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. C. Mitchell, Chaplain.

# LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Hughes, for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Henderson of Mc-Lennan.

Mr. Miller, for today, on motion of Mr. Maxwell.